

REMARKS

The following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response to the outstanding Action. By this Amendment, claim 1 has been amended. The amendments made herein are fully supported in the specification and the drawings as originally filed, and therefore no new matter has been introduced. Accordingly, claims 1-4 are pending in this application and submitted for consideration.

Section 103 Rejections

Claims 1-4 are now rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Applicants' Related Art in Figs. 3 and 4 ("ARA") in view of *Korpmán* (U.S. Patent No. 4,024,312).

The outstanding Action now cites *Korpmán* as purportedly supplementing the acknowledged deficiency in the **ARA** regarding a doubled-faced tape with a highly elastic base material.

Korpmán teaches a pressure-sensitive adhesive tape which is consisted of a highly extensible and elastic backing film (elastomeric and thermoplastic) laminated with an adhesive layer. Although the base material of the adhesive tape in *Korpmán* is elastic, such base material does not have a high Poisson ratio and Young's modulus. By contrast, the base material of the adhesive tape in the present application is not only of high elasticity, but also has a high Poisson ratio and Young's modulus.

Accordingly, the present application is now further distinguished over **ARA** and *Korpmán* through amendments to claim 1 from which claims 2-4 depend to more

specifically set forth that the base material has a high Poisson ratio and Yong's modulus, thus emphasizing that the double-faced adhesive tape includes a high elasticity base material with a high Poisson ratio and Young's modulus.

Indeed, using the adhesive tape having such a high elasticity base material (i.e., having a high Poisson ratio and Young's modulus) allows an easier peeling operation while maintaining an adhesion area between a display panel and a chassis, thereby simplifying a disassembling process for recycling and parts replacement.

Claim 4 is additionally rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over *ARA* in view of *Korpman*, as applied above, and further in view of *Kreckel et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 5,516,581, hereinafter "*Kreckel*").

Since *Kreckel* is merely cited for teaching a protruding portion on the double-faced adhesive tape, claim 4, which depends from claim 1, is allowable over *ARA* in view of *Korpman* and *Kreckel* for at least the reasons set forth above.

In view of the above remarks, the Applicants respectfully submit that each of claims 1-4 recites subject matter which is neither disclosed nor suggested in the cited prior art. Applicants submit that this subject matter is more than sufficient to render the claimed invention unobvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art. Applicants therefore request that each of claims 1-4 be found allowable.

Moreover, entry of this Amendment is proper under 35 C.F.R. § 1.116 since the Amendment: (a) places the application in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein; (b) does not raise any new issue requiring further search and/or

consideration since the Amendment amplifies issues previously discussed throughout prosecution; and (c) places the application in better form for appeal, should an appeal be necessary. The Amendment is necessary and was not earlier presented because it is made in response to arguments raised in the Final Rejection. Entry of the Amendment is thus respectfully requested.

If for any reason the Examiner determines that the application is not now in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact, by telephone, the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, the Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

Respectfully submitted,

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